

Children's Cabinet Meeting (10/30/18): PHB Conference Room 2- 20 Attendees

Governor's Children's Cabinet
Nutrition and Food Security Work Group
Patrick Henry Building, Conference Room 2
October 30; 10:00 – 12 Noon
Draft Minutes

Members present:

Justine Blinco
Elizabeth Borst
Kelly Bowman
Bethany Brady-Spaulding
Robin Gahan
Paula Garrett
Trista Grigsby
Marty Kilgore
Claire Mansfield
Rose Mastracco
Kathleen Murphy
Melissa Peeler
Hannah Robbins
Elizabeth Rowe
Bill Scruggs
Natasha Sriraman
Sandy Stokes
Olivia Wilson
Kelly Wright

The third meeting of the Governor's Children's Cabinet Nutrition and Food Security work group was held on October 30th, 2018 and began at 10:00AM.

Heidi Hertz opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees. Meeting attendees introduced themselves and shared their organization name and their title within the organization.

Heidi restated the goals of the work group and the structure of the Governor's Children's Cabinet for new attendees. She provided updates on the Governor's Children's Cabinet including the decision points from the Children's Cabinet October 2nd meeting. She shared with the work group comments and input from the Cabinet members. Work group members provided feedback on the decision points and discussed next steps.

For decision point 1, to show support for crafting a statewide blueprint report for achieving childhood food security, the work group will identify stakeholders and subject-area experts interested in participating in the blueprint-creation process. For decision point 2, to explore integrating the American Academy of Pediatrics "Hunger Vital Sign" within state systems and supporting physicians and partners using the food insecurity screening, work group members will brainstorm ways to integrate "food insecurity questions" into their agency/organization work and continue to expand and support information to support referrals and resources.

Marty Kilgore, Executive Director of the Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth introduced the Secretary of Health, Dr. Daniel Carey. Secretary Carey highlighted the importance of nutrition beginning during pregnancy and continuing throughout the lifespan. He shared that the focus areas of this work group aligns with agencies in Health and Human Resources including Virginia Department of Health, Virginia Department of Aging and Rehabilitation Services, Virginia Department of Social Services, and Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth.

The meeting attendees self-selected into three groups to discuss the focus areas for the nutrition and food security work group. For each goal, the small group discussed immediate next steps to achieve these goals. The members also identified what information (ex. Data, resources, information, etc) would be presented at the next meeting.

Each small group reported out to the larger work group the discussions and recommendations for initial next steps.

The meeting concluded at 12:05PM.